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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: AINF, AREG, DM, US
SUBJ: TAGLESS ABROAD

REF: TL TAGS -2 OF MAY 16, 1977

1. THE ABOLITION OF PFOR LEAVES US PERPLEXED WHEN IT COMES TO PREPARING TELEGRAMS ON THE MAINSTAY OF OUR WORK, FOREIGN POLICY AND RELATIONS. PFOR WAS ADMITTEDLY A CATCH-ALL CATEGORY OPEN TO ABUSE, BUT WITHOUT IT HOW DOES ONE, FOR EXAMPLE, LABEL PRESIDENT KEREKOU'S VISIT TO LIBYA IN CONNECTION WITH BENIN'S FOREIGN POLICY? PORG MIGHT CONCEIVABLY WORK SINCE THE OAU IS INVOLVED, BUT FOR RETRIEVAL PURPOSES THAT IS AS MISLEADING AS PFOR IS ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN. WE NOTE THAT ONE EMBASSY HAD TO RESORT TO OVIP IN REPORTING SUBSTANTIVELY ON A VISIT OF HEAD OF STATE. TAGLESS AND PFOR-LORN, WHO KNOWS TO WHAT DEPTHS WE SHALL SINK IN TRYING TO DISGUISE SIMPLE FOREIGN POLICY AS TATT, SGEN OR EVEN PDIP.

2. WE NOTE THAT WHEREAS NINE NEW TAGS WERE OFFERED IN PLACE OF ACOM, NO ALTERNATIVES WERE OFFERED TO PFOR, WHICH WAS SACRIFICED ON THE ALTAR OF RETRIEVABILITY. ASSUMING WE ARE NOT THE ONLY SUFFERERS PLEASE GIVE US SOME IMAGINATIVE ALTERNATIVES TO OUR IRRETRIEVABLE LOSS.

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3. WITH THE ABOLITION OF ACOM, WE ARE GUESSING AS TO HOW THIS CABLE SHOULD BE TAGGED.
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